Board of County Commissioners

Agricultural/Tourism Committee

Resolution Authorizing the Proposed Acquisition of a Development Easement on Wright Farm, Upper Pittsgrove Township

WHEREAS, the Township of Upper Pittsgrove submitted a Planning Incentive Grant (PIG) application to the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC), pursuant to the State Agriculture Retention and Development Act, N.J.S.A. 4:1C-11 et. Seq., the Planning Incentive Grant Program, N.J.S.A. 4:1C-43.1, and the regulations thereunder. The County's application includes a proposed funding plan which provides for the purchase of the development easements included in the application based upon the SADC using the sliding scale formula; and

WHEREAS, the application provided for the proposed acquisition of a Development Easement on the property owned by Robert and Joyce Wright and designated on the municipal tax map as Block 21, Lot 6.01 in the Township of Upper Pittsgrove, County of Salem, State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the State Agriculture Development Committee certified the fair market value of the development easement pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-7.14 at \$6,300 per acre on March 5, 2021. The estimated cost sharing breakdown for the acquisition of the development easement is as follows (based on an estimated 19.5 net acres), subject to (a) the actual acreage to be covered by the development easement per the final survey which conforms to the farmland preservation program requirements, and (b) any additional adjustments pursuant to the State statue rule, regulation or policy:

State Agriculture Development Committee \$ 73,710.00 Salem County \$ 24,570.00 Upper Pittsgrove \$ 24,570.00

Total \$ 122,850.00

WHEREAS, the Salem County Agriculture Development Board gave final approval to the proposed acquisition of a development easement on the Wright Farm, Block 21, Lot 6.01 in the township of Upper Pittsgrove, on approximately 19.5 net acres at its May 26, 2021 meeting and is subject to the following:

- (a) The conveyance of a development easement which shall provide for the following:
 - 1. Exception: One (1) non severable exception of one (1) acre for a non-agricultural use (mechanic repair shop) and restricted to zero (0) single family residential units
 - 2. Non-Agricultural use(s): None
 - 3. Dwellings: One (1)
 - 4. Residual Dwelling Site Opportunities: None

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Salem County Board of County Commissioners authorizes the proposed acquisition of a development easement on the Wright Farm in an amount of approximately \$24,570.00

LEE R. WARE, County Commissioner Chair, Agricultural/Tourism Committee

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Salem County Board of County

Commissioners on June 2, 2021.

TACY L. PENNINGTON

Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

COMMISSIONER	RESOLUTION MOVED	RESOLUTION SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
G. Ostrum, Jr.						
E. Ramsay			/			
L. Ware	/		/			
R.S. Griscom		✓"	1			-
B. Laury						

I, Kelly A. Hannigan, Treasurer of the County of Salem, hereby certify in accordance with Section 5:34-5 of the Local Public Contracts Guidelines and Local Public Contracts Regulations that adequate funds for the contract listed below are available and are contained in the OFFICIAL BUDGET of the County of Salem.

Kelly A. Hannigan, Treasurer

AMOUNT: Approximately \$24,570.00 DATE: May 21, 2021

ACCOUNT # and NAME: T-65-56-860-157-105 - Co Open Space/Farmland Preservation

FOR: Easement – Wright Farm – Upper Pittsgrove

VENDOR: West Jersey Title Agency